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SUBJ: ANGLO-AMERICAN REPATRIATING BASOTHO MINE WORKERS

INVOLVED IN GOLD MINE RIOT JANUARY 14

CAPE TOWN ALSO FOR EMBASSY

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1. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS ANGLO-AMERICAN'S PRESIDENT BRAND GOLD MINE NEAR WELKOM IN ORANGE FREE STATE (WHICH HAS BLACK LABOR FORCE OF ABOUT 13,000) HAS ELECTED TO REPATRIATE ABOUT 2400 BASOTHO WHO WERE INVOLVED IN RIOT JANUARY 14 IN WHICH POLICE AS WELL AS WORKERS SUSTAINED INJURIES.

2. REPORTS BLAME RIOT ON DISSATISFACTION WITH LESOTHO GOVERNMENT'S NEW DEFERRED PAY ACT & NOTE THAT REPATRIATION DECISION ACCORDS WITH CHAMBER OF MINES ANNOUNCEMENT FOLLOWING RECENT VAAL REEFS RIOTS THAT HENCEFORTH MINE WOULD SEND "TROUBLE-UNCLASSIFIED

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